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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
**GOVERNOR**

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 6**

*WHEREAS*, by Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Police Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, as the sponsoring agency for said Police Division, named the Commissioner of Public Safety as the head, ex officio, of said Police Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include, in so far as practicable, a Police Division; and

*WHEREAS*, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Police Service in each region; and

*WHEREAS*, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of enemies of the United States; and

*WHEREAS*, it is essential that adequate provisions be made for the co-ordination, mobilization and utilization of the police forces and equipment of the Commonwealth and of its political subdivisions, in order to cope with the existing state of emergency and in order to provide effective protection of life and property in event of disaster or catastrophe:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.

1. The Police Divisions of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall make preparations to furnish, in addition to those services normally furnished by police forces, the following services in event of disaster or catastrophe, in so far as their personnel and equipment permit: plant protection; damaged area protection; criminal investigation.

2. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, as sponsoring agency for the Police Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Police Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Department of the Attorney General  
Department of Conservation  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Department of Industrial Accidents  
Department of Public Works  
    Registry of Motor Vehicles  
Metropolitan District Commission  
Port of Boston Authority  
State Superintendent of Buildings  
    Capitol Police

3. Subject to the direction and control of the Commissioner of Public Safety as head of the Police Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Police Service, shall:

- a. Supervise and assist in the organization and training of the Police Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense.
- b. Expedite the making of any study and survey of police personnel and equipment required to be made under the provisions of Executive Order No. 1, issued September 8, 1950, or any other Executive Order hereafter issued.

4. In order for the Police Division of a local organization for civil defense to be established in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program as required by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13, it shall include the organized police force or department of the city or town, and such auxiliary police as may be appointed under the provisions of section 11 (a) of said Act. The head of said organized police force or department shall be the head of the Police Division of the local organization for civil defense.

In a town not having an organized police force or department, the Police Division of the local organization for civil defense shall include those persons who normally perform the duties of police officers, and such auxiliary police as may be appointed under the provisions of said section 11 (a). The official normally in charge of persons performing the duties of police officers in such town shall be the head of the Police Division of the local organization for civil defense. If there is no such official, the head of the Police Division shall be appointed by the Director of the local organization for civil defense.

5. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this order and the civil defense program, the management, control and direction of an organized police force or department shall continue in its duly constituted officers who shall confer, consult and co-operate with the Director of the local organization for civil defense in all matters pertaining to the civil defense program in order to obtain the maximum practicable integration and co-ordination of the activities of said police force or department with the activities of other divisions of the local organization for civil defense.

6. During the present state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor, under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 5, the Director of a local organization for civil defense may, when he, after consultation with the head of the Police Division of the local organization for civil defense, deems the police facilities available in his city or town inadequate to deal with conditions existing therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request his Regional Director to mobilize and dispatch additional police assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the Regional Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the State Director, such additional police assistance from any city or town within the region as the Regional Director deems necessary.

In mobilizing and dispatching such police assistance to a city or town within the region, the Regional Director shall determine the number of men and the nature and quantity of equipment to be furnished by any or all of the Police Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense within the region and it shall be the duty of the head of each such division to mobilize and dispatch the personnel and equipment specified by the Regional Director.

7. During said state of emergency a Regional Director may, when he, after consultation with his Regional Co-ordinators for the Police Service, deems the police facilities available in his region inadequate to deal with conditions existing in a city or town therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request the State Director to mobilize and dispatch additional police assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the State Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the Governor, such additional police assistance as the State Director deems necessary.

In mobilizing and dispatching such police assistance to such city or town, the State Director shall have authority to determine the number of men and the nature and quantity of equipment to be furnished by the Police Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth or by any or all of the Police Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense or by the sheriffs of the Commonwealth, and it shall be the duty of the heads of the respective Police Divisions and of the sheriffs to mobilize and dispatch the personnel and equipment specified by the State Director.

8. Police personnel and equipment dispatched to a city or town pursuant to the provisions of this order shall be under the command and control of the head of the Police Division of the local organization for civil defense. If the local organization for civil defense does not have a Police Division, the Regional Director shall designate the person to be in command and control of the mobilized police personnel and equipment.

9. Police personnel dispatched to a city or town pursuant to the provisions of this order shall have all of the authority of constables and police officers while they are within the limits of such city or town or in transit to or from such city or town except as to the service of civil process. While exercising such authority, police personnel shall have the same immunities and privileges as when acting within the jurisdiction for which they were appointed or elected.

10. Every city or town providing police personnel or equipment for service in another city or town, and every county providing police personnel or equipment for service in another county, pursuant to the provisions of this order, shall be entitled to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for (a) payments lawfully made by it to such police personnel or to their widows or other dependents on account of injuries sustained by them in such service or of death resulting from such injuries; and (b) damage to its property sustained in such service.

11. Police personnel dispatched for service pursuant to the provisions of this order shall not be used or called upon for service in any industrial dispute, unless actual violence has occurred therein and then only by order of the Governor.

12. Auxiliary police appointed in a city or town under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 11 (a), shall not be dispatched to another city or town pursuant to this order except as may hereafter be provided by Act of the General Court.

13. Nothing in this order shall be deemed to limit the authority conferred upon cities or towns by General Laws (Ter. Ed.) chapter 41, section 99, by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 11 (b), or by any other provision of law, with respect to their requesting and utilizing police forces or equipment of other cities or towns.

14. Nothing in this order shall be deemed to limit the authority conferred upon the Governor by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 11 (c), or by any other provision of law, with respect to requesting and utilizing police forces of any city or town for service in any part of the Commonwealth.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twenty-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.



**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

7/23/51 Set-up Fire  
Dept under C. D.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 7

*WHEREAS*, By Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Fire Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire Prevention, as the sponsoring agency for said Fire Division, named the State Fire Marshal as the head, *ex officio*, of said Fire Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include, in so far as practicable, a Fire Division; and

*WHEREAS*, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Fire Service in each region; and

*WHEREAS*, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency, and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of enemies of the United States; and

*WHEREAS*, it is essential that adequate provisions be made for the co-ordination, mobilization and utilization of the fire forces and equipment of the Commonwealth, and of its political subdivisions, in order to cope with the existing state of emergency, and to provide effective protection of life and property in event of disaster or catastrophe:

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency, and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.

1. The Fire Divisions of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall develop fire fighting procedures, utilizing such fire fighting equipment as may now or hereafter be available, in order that they may be able to furnish, in so far as their personnel, apparatus and equipment permit, maximum fire fighting protection in event of disaster or catastrophe.
2. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire Prevention, as sponsoring agency for the Fire Division of the Civil Defense

Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Fire Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Department of Conservation (Division of Forestry)

Port of Boston Authority

3. Subject to the direction and control of the State Fire Marshal as head of the Fire Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Fire Service, shall:

a. Supervise and assist in the organization and training of the Fire Divisions of the local organization for civil defense;

b. Expedite the making of any study and survey of fire personnel, apparatus and equipment required to be made under the provisions of Executive Order No. 1, issued September 8, 1950, or any other Executive Order hereafter issued.

4. In order for the Fire Division of a local organization for civil defense to be established in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program as required by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13, it shall include the organized fire department of the city or town and such auxiliary firemen as may be appointed under the provisions of section 11 (a) of said Act. The head of said organized fire department shall be the head of the Fire Division of the local organization for civil defense.

In a town not having an organized municipal fire department, the Fire Division of the local organization for civil defense shall include those persons who normally perform the duties of firemen in such town, including members of fire departments of fire districts, and such auxiliary firemen as may be appointed under the provision of said section 11 (a). The official normally in charge of persons performing the duties of firemen in such town shall be the head of the Fire Division of the local organization for civil defense. If there is no such official, the head of the Fire Division shall be appointed by the Director of the local organization for civil defense.

5. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this order and of the civil defense program, the management, control and direction of an organized fire department shall continue in its duly constituted officers, who shall confer, consult and co-operate with the Director of the local organization for civil defense in all matters pertaining to the civil defense program in order to obtain the maximum practicable integration and co-ordination of the activities of said fire department with the activities of other divisions of the local organization for civil defense.

6. During the present state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 5, whenever the Director of a local organization for civil defense, after consultation with the head of the Fire Division of said organization, deems the fire fighting facilities available in his city or town inadequate to deal with conditions existing therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, he may request the Regional Director to mobilize and dispatch additional fire fighting assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the Regional Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the State Director, such additional fire fighting assistance from any city or town within the region as the Regional Director deems necessary. In mobilizing and dispatching such fire fighting assistance to a city or town within the region, the Regional Director shall determine the number of men and the nature and quantity of apparatus and equipment to be furnished by any or all of the Fire Divisions of the

local organizations for civil defense within the region, and it shall be the duty of the head of each such division to mobilize and dispatch the personnel, apparatus and equipment specified by the Regional Director.

7. During said state of emergency, whenever a Regional Director, after consultation with the Regional Co-ordinators for the Fire Service, deems the fire fighting facilities available in his region inadequate to deal with conditions existing in a city or town therein, as a result of disaster or catastrophe, he may request the State Director to mobilize and dispatch additional fire fighting assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the State Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the Governor, such additional fire fighting assistance as the State Director deems necessary. In mobilizing and dispatching such fire fighting assistance to such city or town, the State Director shall have authority to determine the number of men and the nature and quantity of apparatus and equipment to be furnished by the Fire Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, or by any or all of the Fire Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense, and it shall be the duty of the heads of the respective Fire Divisions to mobilize and dispatch the personnel, apparatus and equipment specified by the State Director.

8. Fire fighting personnel, apparatus and equipment dispatched to a city or town pursuant to the provisions of this order shall be under the command and control of the head of the Fire Division of the local organization for civil defense. If the local organization for civil defense does not have a Fire Division, the Regional Director shall designate the person to be in command and control of the mobilized fire fighting personnel, apparatus and equipment.

9. Each Regional Director shall establish and operate a regional fire dispatch center for the reception and correlation of information concerning fire fighting personnel, apparatus and equipment of the region. Such center shall function on a twenty-four hour basis. Whenever fire fighting personnel, apparatus or equipment is dispatched from one city or town to another, whether pursuant to mutual aid arrangements or to this order, the head of the fire department whose personnel, apparatus or equipment is so dispatched shall, as promptly as possible, notify his regional dispatch center of the departure and return of such personnel, apparatus or equipment.

If fire fighting personnel, apparatus or equipment is dispatched from a city or town in one region to a city or town in another region, the regional dispatch center in the region from which such personnel, apparatus or equipment is dispatched shall, as promptly as possible, notify the regional dispatch center in the region to which such personnel, apparatus or equipment is dispatched, of the departure and return of such personnel, apparatus or equipment.

10. Fire fighting personnel dispatched to a city or town, pursuant to the provisions of this order, shall have the same authority, immunities and privileges therein, and while in transit to and from such city or town, as if performing their duties within their respective cities, towns or fire districts.

11. Every city, town or fire district providing fire fighting personnel, apparatus or equipment for service in another city, town or fire district, pursuant to the provisions of this order, shall be entitled to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for (a) payments lawfully made to such fire fighting personnel or their widows or other dependents on account of injuries sustained by them in such service or of death resulting from such injuries; and (b) damage to its property sustained in such service.

12. The term "fire fighting personnel" as used in this order, shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires,

members of any lawfully organized fire fighting force however constituted, including call and volunteer firemen and auxiliary firemen appointed under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 11 (a).

13. Nothing in this order shall be deemed to limit the authority conferred upon cities, towns or fire districts by General Laws (Ter. Ed.) chapter 48, section 59A, as amended, or by any other provision of law with respect to authorizing their respective fire departments to go to aid another city, town or fire district in extinguishing fires therein, or to interfere with mutual aid systems between or among cities, towns and fire districts.

14. Nothing in this order shall be deemed to limit the authority conferred upon the Governor by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 11 (c), or by any other provision of law with respect to requesting and utilizing the fire department of any city or town for service in any part of the Commonwealth.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twenty-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.



**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

1/24/51. Setups of  
Communications under  
C. D.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 8

*WHEREAS*, by Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Communications Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, as the sponsoring agency for said Communications Division, named the Commissioner of Public Safety as the head, ex officio, of said Communications Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include, in so far as practicable, a Communications Division; and

*WHEREAS*, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Communications Service in each region; and

*WHEREAS*, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of enemies of the United States; and

*WHEREAS*, it is essential to provide for prompt and complete dissemination of any air raid warning received from the United States Air Force and to provide an efficient communications system for the civil defense forces in the Commonwealth:

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.

1. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, as sponsoring agency for the Communications Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Communications Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Department of the Adjutant General  
Department of Conservation  
Department of Public Utilities

2. The Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, utilizing its existing facilities, shall receive, from the United States Air Force, any warning, alarm or alert intended for any city or town in the Commonwealth and shall transmit said warning, alarm or alert to all cities and towns in the Commonwealth for which said warning, alarm or alert is intended.

3. It shall be the responsibility of each city and town in the Commonwealth to provide adequate radio facilities for the reception from the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, of any such warning, alarm or alert and to provide adequate means for the dissemination thereof to the populace of said city or town.

4. The Communications Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall prepare to furnish operational communications facilities in event of disaster or catastrophe.

5. Each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Communications Service, shall advise and assist the local organizations for civil defense in providing means for the reception and dissemination of any air raid warning, alarm or alert, and in preparing to furnish operational communications facilities in event of disaster or catastrophe.

6. All references herein to air raid warnings, alarms or alerts shall be deemed to include test or practice air raid warnings, alarms or alerts.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twenty-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 9

WHEREAS, the Aircraft Warning Service is designed to function as a vital part of the Air Defense System of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the Aircraft Warning Service requires the establishment of Observation Posts and the organization of a Ground Observer Corps; and

WHEREAS, the United States Air Force has provided a plan for the establishment of Observation Posts to provide uniform coverage of the air surveillance area in this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Observation Posts so established are to be manned, when necessary, by volunteer civilian members of the Ground Observer Corps; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of enemies of the United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of the Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the Civil Defense of the Commonwealth.

1. The Adjutant General of the Commonwealth shall be responsible for the organization and administration of Observation Posts of the Ground Observer Corps in conformity with the rules and regulations of the United States Air Force.
2. The Adjutant General is authorized to appoint members of his military staff as Liaison Officers, whose duty it shall be to assist him in discharging his responsibilities under this order.
3. Each city or town selected as the site of an Observation Post of the Ground Observer Corps shall assist and co-operate with the Adjutant General in the organization and administration of such Observation Post.
4. All departments, divisions and agencies of the Commonwealth shall assist and co-operate with the Adjutant General in carrying out the provisions of this order.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twenty-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.



**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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Rescue, Transportation & Evacuation  
**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts** *under  
C. D.*

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 10

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Works as the sponsoring agency for said Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division, named the Commissioner of Public Works as head, ex officio, of said Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include in so far as practicable, a Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division; and

WHEREAS, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Service in each region; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of the enemies of the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that adequate provisions be made for the organization, mobilization and utilization of all personnel and equipment within the Commonwealth which may be necessary or useful in carrying out the responsibilities and functions of the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Divisions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth:

1. The Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Divisions of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall survey all public and private transportation and evacuation resources within the Commonwealth; make plans to provide rescue services in event of disaster or catastrophe; plan and prepare to establish evacuation centers and to transport evacuees, in the event that evacuation of any area in the Commonwealth becomes necessary as a result of disaster or catastrophe or the imminent threat thereof.

2. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Works, as sponsoring agency for the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Department of Labor and Industries  
Department of Mental Health  
Department of Public Health  
Department of Public Safety  
    Division of Inspection  
    Division of State Police  
Department of Public Utilities  
Department of Public Welfare

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Department of Public Works  
Registry of Motor Vehicles  
Department of the State Secretary  
Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission  
Metropolitan District Commission

3. Subject to the direction and control of the Commissioner of Public Works as head of the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Service, shall:

- a. Supervise and assist in the organization and training of the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense.
- b. Expedite the making of any study and survey of rescue, transportation and evacuation personnel and equipment required to be made under the provisions of Executive Order No. 1, issued September 8, 1950, or this, or any other Executive Order hereafter issued.

4. During the present state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor, under provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 5, the Director of a local organization for civil defense may, when he, after consultation with the head of the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division of the local organization for civil defense, deems the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation facilities available in his city or town inadequate to deal with conditions existing therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request his Regional Director to mobilize and dispatch additional rescue, transportation and evacuation assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the Regional Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town with the approval of the State Director, such additional rescue, transportation and evacuation assistance from any city or town within the region, as the Regional Director deems necessary.

5. During said state of emergency a Regional Director may, when he, after consultation with his Regional Co-ordinators for the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Service, deems the rescue, transportation and evacuation facilities available in his region inadequate to deal with conditions existing in a city or town therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request the State Director to mobilize and dispatch additional rescue, transportation and evacuation assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the State Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the Governor, such additional rescue, transportation and evacuation assistance as the State Director deems necessary.

6. Rescue, transportation and evacuation personnel and equipment dispatched to a city or town pursuant to the provisions of this order shall be under the command and control of the head of the Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division of the local organization for civil defense. If the local organization for civil defense does not have a Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division, the Regional Director shall designate the person to be in command and control of the mobilized rescue, transportation and evacuation personnel and equipment.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this thirty-first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**



By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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Civilian Defense

9/8/50 Appoint "Local  
Director" Civilian  
Defense

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

By His Excellency  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 1

WHEREAS, in the event of an emergency, major disaster or catastrophe in any part of the Commonwealth, the existing local facilities and resources where such emergency, disaster or catastrophe may occur, will certainly be inadequate to cope with conditions resulting therefrom; and

WHEREAS, it is possible that disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness may result from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to insure that the preparations of the Commonwealth will be adequate to deal with any such disaster, emergency or catastrophe and generally to provide for the common defense and to protect the public peace, health, security and safety and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Commonwealth:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. The attention of mayors, city managers, selectmen and town managers is hereby directed to the following provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13:

"Each political subdivision of the commonwealth is hereby authorized and directed to establish a local organization for civil defense in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program.

"Each local organization for civil defense shall have a director, who shall, in the case of a city, be appointed by the mayor, or in a city having the Plan E form of government by the city manager, and in towns shall be appointed by the selectmen, or in towns having a town manager by the manager. . . ."

2. Each of the appointing authorities above referred to who has not yet done so is hereby directed to appoint forthwith a director of the local organization for civil defense.

3. The name, address and telephone number of the director of the local organization for civil defense (hereinafter called the "local director"), so appointed, shall be forwarded by the appointing authority to the Director of Civil Defense of the Commonwealth (hereinafter referred to as the "state director"), State House, Boston 33, Massachusetts, within five (5) days of his appointment.

4. Each local director is hereby directed to make a study and survey of the personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities of his city or town which may be useful or necessary in carrying out the emergency functions enumerated in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 1. Such study and survey shall be made and reported to the state director on forms to be prepared and furnished by the state director.

5. The state director shall furnish the same or similar forms to such departments, offices and agencies of the Commonwealth as, in his opinion, may have personnel, equipment, supplies or facilities useful or necessary in carrying out any of the emergency functions enumerated in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 1. The heads of such departments, offices and agencies shall make the necessary studies and surveys and report the results thereof to the state director on such forms.

6. The state director is further directed to prepare and submit to the Governor, after consultation with such experts as he may deem appropriate, a comprehensive plan and program pursuant to, and to implement, the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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9/12/50 List of Town now  
having appointed a  
Local  
Director L. D.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
**GOVERNOR**

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2**

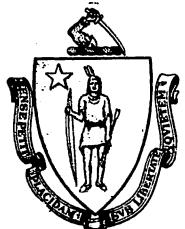
*WHEREAS*, I have directed each of the appointing authorities mentioned in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13, who has not yet done so to appoint forthwith a director of the local organization for civil defense and have further directed that the name, address and telephone number of each director so appointed be forwarded by the appointing authority concerned to the director of civil defense of the Commonwealth; and

*WHEREAS*, an efficient civil defense program will require co-ordinated and simultaneous action by each city and town; and

*WHEREAS*, it is essential to such co-ordinated and simultaneous action that each city and town of the Commonwealth have a director of the local organization for civil defense:

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. The director of civil defense of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to furnish me on September 25, 1950, with a list of all cities and towns of the Commonwealth which have not, as of that date, notified him of the name, address and telephone number of the director of the local organization for civil defense, in order that I may take steps to appoint a director of the local organization for civil defense in each of such cities and towns.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twelfth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

10/18/50 Set up of State C.D.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

By His Excellency  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 3

WHEREAS, in carrying out the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, The Governor has been directed by said Act, and in particular by section 16 thereof, to utilize, to the maximum extent practicable, the services, equipment, supplies and facilities, and the officers and personnel, of existing departments, offices and agencies of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices and agencies of the Commonwealth have been directed by said Act, and in particular by said section 16, to co-operate with and extend such services and facilities to the Governor upon request; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has been authorized by said Act, and in particular by said section 16, to assign to a state agency any activity concerned with disaster preparedness and relief of a nature related to the existing powers and duties of such agency:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth and as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. For the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program the Commonwealth is divided into nine regions as indicated on the Civil Defense Agency Regional Operations Map, designated as Appendix 1, which map is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

2. There shall be, within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, the following divisions: Administration; Medical and Health; Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation; Police; Fire; Communications; Utilities; Civilian War Aid.

The following departments, divisions and agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as the sponsoring agencies, so-called, for the several divisions:

Commission on Administration and Finance:  
    Administration Division;  
Department of Public Health:  
    Medical and Health Division;  
Department of Public Works:  
    Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division;  
Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police:  
    Police Division;  
    Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire Prevention:  
        Fire Division;  
    Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police:  
        Communications Division;  
    Department of Public Utilities:  
        Utilities Division;  
    Department of Public Welfare:  
        Civilian War Aid Division;

The sponsoring state agency for each division shall be assisted by the supporting state and private agencies indicated on the Civil Defense Agency Organization Plan, designated Appendix 2, which plan is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof, and by such other supporting agencies as from time to time may be deemed necessary or appropriate.

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The following officers of the Commonwealth shall be ex officiis the heads of the several divisions:

Commissioner of Administration: Administration Division;  
Commissioner of Public Health: Medical and Health Division;  
Commissioner of Public Works: Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division;  
Commissioner of Public Safety: Police Division;  
State Fire Marshal: Fire Division;  
Commissioner of Public Safety: Communications Divisions;  
Chairman of the Department of Public Utilities: Utilities Division;  
Commissioner of Public Welfare: Civilian War Aid Division.

3. In each region there shall be a regional director, to be appointed by the Governor from among the mayors, selectmen and city and town managers of the cities and towns within the region. The regional directors shall be responsible to the Governor and to the Director of Civil Defense of the Commonwealth (hereinafter called the "Director") for carrying out the program of civil defense within their respective regions, and shall have such additional authority, duties and responsibilities as may be prescribed by the Governor.

The Director may, in writing, authorize each regional director to incur such administrative expenses as may be necessary or expedient in carrying out the regional program of civil defense. Such administrative expenses as are so authorized shall be approved in writing by the Director and charged to the appropriation of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth.

4. In each region there shall also be boards of regional co-ordinators for the following services: medical and health; rescue, transportation and evacuation; police; fire; communications; utilities; civilian war aid. Regional co-ordinators shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at his pleasure.

Each board shall, by majority vote, elect a chairman and a vice-chairman and shall send to the office of the Governor and of the Director the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the persons so elected. The chairmen of the several boards within each region shall constitute an advisory committee for the regional director.

Each regional co-ordinator shall designate, by a writing filed in the office of the Governor and of the Director, a qualified person to serve during his absence or disability. Such designation shall not become effective until approved by the Governor and shall be revocable by the designating member or by the Governor or by the Director with the approval of the Governor.

5. The regional co-ordinators for each service shall advise the regional director on matters pertaining to such service and shall have such additional authority, duties and responsibilities as may be prescribed by the Governor. They shall advise and assist the directors of the local organizations for civil defense in the development of mutual aid arrangements.

6. In order for a local organization for civil defense to be established in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program as required by Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13, it shall include, in so far as practicable, the following divisions: Administration; Medical and Health; Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation; Police; Fire; Communications; Utilities; Civilian War Aid.

Each such division shall utilize, to the maximum extent practicable, the services, equipment, supplies and facilities and the officers and personnel of existing departments, offices and agencies of the city or town.

7. The state, regional and local organizations for civil defense, described herein, are shown on the Civil Defense Agency Organization Plan, referred to above.

8. A mutual aid arrangement within the Commonwealth, developed under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 14, by the director of a local organization for civil defense shall, when approved by the Director, be deemed to be consistent with the state civil defense plan and program as required by that section.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

PAUL A. DEVER.

By His Excellency the Governor,

EDWARD J. CRONIN,

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

11/30/50 Medical Set-up  
State C.D.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 4

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Medical and Health Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Health as the sponsoring agency for said Medical and Health Division, named the Commissioner of Public Health as the head, ex officio, of said Medical and Health Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include, in so far as practicable, a Medical and Health Division; and

WHEREAS, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Medical and Health Service in each region; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to organize and train all available medical and health personnel and to provide for their mobilization in event of disaster, emergency or catastrophe and also to provide for the co-ordinated use of all available medical and health equipment, supplies and facilities in event of disaster, emergency or catastrophe:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth and as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. The Medical and Health Divisions of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall make preparations to furnish the following services in event of disaster, emergency or catastrophe, in so far as their personnel, supplies, equipment and facilities permit: first aid and ambulance; hospital and medical; blood; laboratory; vital statistics; mortuary; communicable disease control; monitor; biological and chemical defense; environmental sanitation; food and nutrition; health supplies.

2. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Health, as sponsoring agency for the Medical and Health Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Medical and Health Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Commission on Administration and Finance  
Department of Agriculture  
Department of the Attorney General  
Department of Civil Service and Registration  
Board of Dental Examiners  
Board of Registration in Embalming and Funeral Directing  
Board of Registration in Medicine  
Board of Registration in Nursing  
Board of Registration in Pharmacy  
Board of State Examiners of Plumbers  
Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors  
Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine  
Department of Correction  
Department of Education  
Department of Labor and Industries  
Division of Occupational Hygiene  
Department of Mental Health

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Metropolitan District Commission  
Department of Public Safety  
Division of Inspection, Building Inspection Service  
Department of Public Welfare  
Department of the State Secretary  
Bureau of Vital Statistics  
University of Massachusetts

3. Subject to the direction and control of the Commissioner of Public Health as head of the Medical and Health Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Medical and Health Service, shall:

a. Supervise and assist in the organization and training of the Medical and Health Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense.

b. Expedite the making of any study and survey of medical and health personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities required to be made under the provisions of Executive Order No. 1, issued September 8, 1950, or any other Executive Order hereafter issued.

4. During a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 5, the Director of a local organization for civil defense may, when he deems the medical and health facilities available in his city or town inadequate to deal with conditions existing in such city or town as a result of disaster, emergency or catastrophe, request the Regional Director to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town additional medical and health personnel, supplies or equipment.

Upon receipt of such request the Regional Director shall have authority to dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the Director of Civil Defense for the Commonwealth (hereinafter called the "State Director"), such additional medical and health personnel, supplies or equipment from any city or town within the region as the Regional Director deems necessary.

5. During said state of emergency a Regional Director may, when he deems the medical and health facilities available in his region inadequate to deal with conditions existing in such region as a result of disaster, emergency or catastrophe, request the State Director to mobilize and dispatch to such place or places in the region as the Regional Director requests, additional medical and health personnel, supplies or equipment.

Upon receipt of such request the State Director shall have authority to dispatch to such place or places, with the approval of the Governor, such additional medical and health personnel, supplies or equipment as the State Director deems necessary.

6. Medical and health personnel, supplies or equipment dispatched to a city or town under the provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall be under the command and control of the head of the Medical and Health Division of the local organization for civil defense in said city or town.

7. In the event that it becomes necessary to move hospitalized patients or casualties out of a city or town as a result of disaster, emergency or catastrophe, the Regional Director shall determine the place or places within the region to which said patients or casualties shall be moved and the number of patients or casualties to be moved to each such place.

8. In the event that it becomes necessary to move hospitalized patients or casualties out of a region as a result of disaster, emergency or catastrophe, the State Director shall determine the place or places to which said patients or casualties shall be moved and the number of patients or casualties to be moved to each such place.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this thirtieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

PAUL A. DEVER.

By His Excellency the Governor,

EDWARD J. CRONIN,

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

1/18/51 Set-up Civilian  
War Aid Divs, under  
Dept Public Welfare

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

By His Excellency

PAUL A. DEVER

GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 5

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 3, issued October 18, 1950, the Governor established a Civilian War Aid Division within the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, assigned the Department of Public Welfare as the sponsoring agency for said Civilian War Aid Division, named the Commissioner of Public Welfare as the head, ex officio, of said Civilian War Aid Division and directed that each local organization for civil defense include, in so far as practicable, a Civilian War Aid Division; and

WHEREAS, by said Executive Order No. 3, the Governor also established nine regions within the Commonwealth for the purpose of administering the civil defense plan and program, created the post of Regional Director for each region and provided for a Board of Regional Co-ordinators for the Civilian War Aid Service in each region; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, on December 16, 1950, did proclaim a state of national emergency and thereafter on the same date the Governor did proclaim that a state of emergency exists for the reason that the peace and security of the Commonwealth are endangered by the imminent threat of belligerent acts of enemies of the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that adequate provisions be made for the organization, mobilization and utilization of all personnel and equipment within the Commonwealth which may be necessary or useful in carrying out the responsibilities and functions of the Civilian War Aid Divisions:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639 and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order to cope with the existing state of emergency and as part of the comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.

1. The Civilian War Aid Divisions of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth and of the local organizations for civil defense shall make preparations to furnish the following services in event of disaster or catastrophe, in so far as their personnel and equipment permit: evacuee registration; emergency housing; feeding; clothing; financial assistance; rehabilitation.

2. The following agencies of the Commonwealth are assigned as supporting agencies to assist the Department of Public Welfare, as sponsoring agency for the Civilian War Aid Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, in the performance of such functions of said Civilian War Aid Division as may be related to the existing powers and duties of such agencies:

Department of Agriculture

Division of Markets

Department of Banking and Insurance

Department of Labor and Industries

Division of Employment Security

Division on the Necessaries of Life

Department of the State Auditor

Department of the State Treasurer

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3. Subject to the direction and control of the Commissioner of Public Welfare as head of the Civilian War Aid Division of the Civil Defense Agency of the Commonwealth, each Regional Director, with the assistance of his Regional Co-ordinators for the Civilian War Aid Service, shall:

a. Supervise and assist in the organization and training of the Civilian War Aid Divisions of the local organizations for civil defense.

b. Expedite the making of any study and survey of civilian war aid personnel and equipment required to be made under the provisions of Executive Order No. 1, issued September 8, 1950, or any other Executive Order hereafter issued.

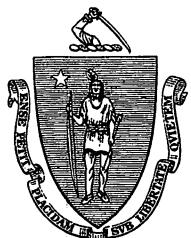
4. During the present state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 5, the Director of a local organization for civil defense may, when he, after consultation with the head of the Civilian War Aid Division of the local organization for civil defense, deems the civilian war aid facilities available in his city or town inadequate to deal with conditions existing therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request his Regional Director to mobilize and dispatch additional civilian war aid assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the Regional Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the State Director, such additional civilian war aid assistance from any city or town within the region as the Regional Director deems necessary.

5. During said state of emergency a Regional Director may, when he, after consultation with his Regional Co-ordinators for the Civilian War Aid Service, deems the civilian war aid facilities available in his region inadequate to deal with conditions existing in a city or town therein as a result of disaster or catastrophe, request the State Director to mobilize and dispatch additional civilian war aid assistance to such city or town.

Upon receipt of such request, the State Director shall have authority to mobilize and dispatch to such city or town, with the approval of the Governor, such additional civilian war aid assistance as the State Director deems necessary.

6. Civilian war aid personnel and equipment dispatched to a city or town pursuant to the provisions of this order shall be under the command and control of the head of the Civilian War Aid Division of the local organization for civil defense. If the local organization for civil defense does not have a Civilian War Aid Division, the Regional Director shall designate the person to be in command and control of the mobilized civilian war aid personnel and equipment.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By his Excellency the Governor

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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Civilian  
Revised  
F. L. Baker

Southboro, Mass.

September 6, 1950

Honorable Board of Selectmen.  
Town of Southboro, Mass.

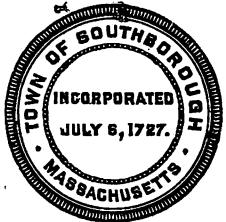
Attn. Mr. H. E. Harrington, Chairman

Gentlemen:

I hereby accept your  
appointment of me to the office of  
Town Accountant to become effective

October 1, 1950.

Very truly yours,  
Fred L. Baker



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OFFICE OF THE  
**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
SOUTHBOROUGH, MASS.

August 16, 1950

Board of Selectmen  
Southboro Mass.

Gentlemen;

As you know my position with the USDA is being transferred to Civil Service. One of the requirements is that "Federal employees are prohibited from accepting or holding an office or position under State, territorial, county, or municipal governments".

As an employee of the Town of Southboro I am an employee of a municipal government, therefore it appears that in order to hold my position with the USDA it will be necessary for me to resign as Town Accountant. Accordingly, I ask that you accept this as my resignation to take effect as soon as convenient, but not later than October 15, 1950.

I regret very much having to take this action, and will miss the pleasant associations which I have enjoyed for many years. However, having held some town office most of the time since 1928 perhaps it is time to give someone else an opportunity to enjoy those associations.

Very truly yours,

*J. W. Bridges*

Town Accountant.

August 24th 1950

Mr. Fred W. Bridges, Town Accountant,  
Southborough, Mass.

Dear Fred:

It was with very sincere regret that this Board received from you last night your resignation as Town Accountant to take effect on or before October 15th.

While we understand reasons and necessity for this resignation, both we and the Town cannot help but miss your hard work, your ability, and your intimate knowledge of Town affairs.

Your resignation has been tabled for the time being, but you will receive notice of formal acceptance as soon as we have had an opportunity to appoint your successor.

Most cordially yours,

Board of Selectmen.

HEH/h

Chairman.

8/24/50

Dear Hank:

Please include in the minutes of our meeting last night the following:

"The resignation of Mr. Fred W. Bridges as Town Accountant was presented to the Board, to take effect on or before October 15, 1950. Mr. Bridges explained that Civil Service rules under the USDA prohibited Federal employees from holding positions under a municipal government.

It was unanimously Voted: To table Mr. Bridge's resignation until such time as his successor could be appointed, and to acknowledge its receipt with the sincere regret of the Board."

Copy of my letter enclosed can be filed in your minute book with minutes of the meeting.

Sincerely-

Civilian  
Defense  
File

September 30, 1950

Massachusetts Director of Civil Defense,  
State House,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

At a special meeting of this Board held today it was unanimously voted to appoint as Southborough Director of Civil Defense, Mr. Paul Henderson, East Main Street, Southborough.

Mr. Henderson has agreed to accept this appointment.  
His telephone number is Marlboro 1097-J.

Very truly yours,

Board of Selectmen,

REB/h  
C. S. Mr. Henderson.

Chairman.

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 1

WHEREAS, in the event of an emergency, major disaster or catastrophe in any part of the Commonwealth, the existing local facilities and resources where such emergency, disaster or catastrophe may occur, will certainly be inadequate to cope with conditions resulting therefrom; and

WHEREAS, it is possible that disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness may result from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to insure that the preparations of the Commonwealth will be adequate to deal with any such disaster, emergency or catastrophe and generally to provide for the common defense and to protect the public peace, health, security and safety and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Commonwealth:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. The attention of mayors, city managers, selectmen and town managers is hereby directed to the following provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13:

“Each political subdivision of the commonwealth is hereby authorized and directed to establish a local organization for civil defense in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program.

“Each local organization for civil defense shall have a director, who shall, in the case of a city, be appointed by the mayor, or in a city having the Plan E form of government by the city manager, and in towns shall be appointed by the selectmen, or in towns having a town manager by the manager. . . .”

2. Each of the appointing authorities above referred to who has not yet done so is hereby directed to appoint forthwith a director of the local organization for civil defense.

3. The name, address and telephone number of the director of the local organization for civil defense (hereinafter called the “local director”), so appointed, shall be forwarded by the appointing authority to the Director of Civil Defense of the Commonwealth (hereinafter referred to as the “state director”), State House, Boston 33, Massachusetts, within five (5) days of his appointment.

4. Each local director is hereby directed to make a study and survey of the personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities of his city or town which may be useful or necessary in carrying out the emergency functions enumerated in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 1. Such study and survey shall be made and reported to the state director on forms to be prepared and furnished by the state director.

5. The state director shall furnish the same or similar forms to such departments, offices and agencies of the Commonwealth as, in his opinion, may have personnel, equipment, supplies or facilities useful or necessary in carrying out any of the emergency functions enumerated in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 1. The heads of such departments, offices and agencies shall make the necessary studies and surveys and report the results thereof to the state director on such forms.

6. The state director is further directed to prepare and submit to the Governor, after consultation with such experts as he may deem appropriate, a comprehensive plan and program pursuant to, and to implement, the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, for the civil defense of the Commonwealth.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

**God Save The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PAUL A. DEVER.

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EDWARD J. CRONIN,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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*By His Excellency*  
**PAUL A. DEVER**  
GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 2

WHEREAS, I have directed each of the appointing authorities mentioned in Acts of 1950, chapter 639, section 13, who has not yet done so to appoint forthwith a director of the local organization for civil defense and have further directed that the name, address and telephone number of each director so appointed be forwarded by the appointing authority concerned to the director of civil defense of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, an efficient civil defense program will require co-ordinated and simultaneous action by each city and town; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to such co-ordinated and simultaneous action that each city and town of the Commonwealth have a director of the local organization for civil defense:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, acting under the provisions of Acts of 1950, chapter 639, and all other authority vested in me, do hereby issue this order as a necessary preparatory step in advance of actual disaster, emergency or catastrophe.

1. The director of civil defense of the Commonwealth is hereby directed to furnish me on September 25, 1950, with a list of all cities and towns of the Commonwealth which have not, as of that date, notified him of the name, address and telephone number of the director of the local organization for civil defense, in order that I may take steps to appoint a director of the local organization for civil defense in each of such cities and towns.



GIVEN at the Executive Chamber in Boston this twelfth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

**PAUL A. DEVER.**

By His Excellency the Governor,

**EDWARD J. CRONIN,**  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

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PAUL A. DEVER  
GOVERNOR

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

JOHN F. STOKES  
DIRECTOR

October 2, 1950

Board of Selectmen  
Southborough  
Massachusetts

Attention: H. E. Harrington, Chairman

Gentlemen:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 30, 1950 relative to the appointment as local Director of Civil Defense of Southborough, of

Mr. Paul Henderson  
East Main Street  
Southborough

Telephone: Marlboro 1097-J

Your attention is directed to the provisions of Section 18, Chapter 639, Acts of 1950. It is respectfully requested that the form of oath be executed in duplicate, one copy to be retained in your files and the other to be forwarded for the permanent records of this Agency.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John F. Stokes".  
John F. Stokes  
Director

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October 4, 1950

Dear John:

Enclosed you will find copy of an oath to cover Paul Henderson, who we have appointed as Director of Civil Defense, as provided under Sect. 18, Chapter 639, Acts of 1950.

Paul has original and our copy, and the dope as to where to send same.

As soon as Paul checks in, there is no reason why Fhan should not give the word to the press.

Sincerely,

October 4, 1950

Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath that you are required to sign as provided by Section 18, Chapter 639, Acts of 1950.

If you will present yourself before Johnny Rabeni at your early convenience and sign same, the show will be on the road.

Please send the original to Civil Defense Agency, State House, Boston, Mass., and send second copy to me, for our files.

Gratefully yours,

[CHAP. 639]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY OF THE COMMONWEALTH  
DURING THE EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY RESULTING  
FROM DISASTER OR FROM HOSTILE ACTION.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is in part to unify the sovereign powers of the commonwealth for the purpose of meeting the public need and requirements, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and convenience.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. In this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words shall have the following meanings:—

“Civil defense” shall mean the preparation for and the carrying out of all emergency functions, other than functions for which military forces other than the national guard are primarily responsible, for the purpose of minimizing and repairing injury and damage resulting from disasters caused by attack, sabotage or other hostile action or by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural causes; said functions shall include specifically, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, fire-fighting and police services, medical and health services, rescue, engineering and air-raid warning services, evacuation of persons from stricken areas, emergency welfare services, communications, radiological, chemical and other special weapons of defense, emergency transportation, existing or properly assigned functions of plant protection, temporary restoration of public utility services and other functions;

“Local organization for civil defense” shall mean an organization created in accordance with the provisions of this act by state or local authority to perform local civil defense functions.

SECTION 2. There is hereby created within the executive branch of the commonwealth a division of civil defense hereinafter called the “civil defense agency”, which shall be under the direction of a director of civil defense herein-after called the “director”. The governor shall, with the advice and consent of the council, appoint the director to serve during his pleasure. The director shall devote his full time to his duties under this act, shall not hold any other public office and shall receive, subject to appropriation, such annual salary as the governor and council approve. He shall co-ordinate the activities of all organizations for civil defense within the commonwealth, and shall co-operate and maintain liaison with civil defense agencies of other states and the federal government, shall, subject to the

direction and control of the governor, be the executive head of the civil defense agency, and shall have such additional authority, duties and responsibilities authorized by this act as may be prescribed by the governor, and shall be responsible to the governor for carrying out the program for civil defense of the commonwealth. The director may, within the limits of the amount appropriated therefor, appoint such experts, clerks and other assistants as the work of the civil defense agency may require and may remove them, and may make such expenditures as may be necessary in order to execute effectively the purposes of this act. Such employees shall not be subject to chapter thirty-one of the General Laws. The director and other personnel of the civil defense agency shall be provided with suitable office space, furniture, equipment and supplies in the same manner as provided for personnel of other state departments.

SECTION 3. There is hereby created an unpaid civil defense advisory council hereinafter called the "defense council", the members of which shall be appointed by the governor. The defense council shall include such department heads and other officers of the commonwealth as the governor may deem necessary and the director of the civil defense agency. The governor shall appoint the chairman of said defense council to serve during his pleasure. Said defense council shall be in the executive branch of the government and shall serve under the governor and shall be subject to his supervision and control. Said defense council shall advise the governor and the director on matters pertaining to civil defense.

SECTION 4. The governor shall have general direction and control of the civil defense agency, and shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of this act and may assume direct operational control over any or all parts of the civil defense functions within the commonwealth; he may at the request of the director authorize the employment of such technical, clerical, stenographic or other personnel, and may make such expenditures, within the appropriation therefor or from other funds made available to him for the purposes of civil defense or to deal with disaster or threatened disaster should it occur, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. He may co-operate with the federal government, and with other states and private agencies in all matters pertaining to the civil defense of the commonwealth and the nation, may propose a comprehensive plan and program for the civil defense of the commonwealth, and in accordance with said plan and program may institute training and public information programs and take all other preparatory steps, including the partial or full mobilization of civil defense organizations in advance of actual disaster as he may deem necessary. He may make studies and surveys to ascertain the capabilities of the commonwealth for civil defense and to plan for the most efficient emergency uses thereof, may

delegate any administrative authority vested in him under this act, and may appoint, in co-operation with local authorities, metropolitan area directors.

SECTION 5. Because of the existing possibility of the occurrence of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from enemy attack, sabotage or other hostile action, in order to insure that the preparations of the commonwealth will be adequate to deal with such disasters, and generally to provide for the common defense and to protect the public peace, health, security and safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the commonwealth — if and when the congress of the United States shall declare war, or if and when the President of the United States shall by proclamation or otherwise inform the governor that the peace and security of the commonwealth are endangered by belligerent acts of any enemy of the United States or of the commonwealth or by the imminent threat thereof, or upon the occurrence of any disaster or catastrophe resulting from attack, sabotage or other hostile action or by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural causes, the governor may issue a proclamation or proclamations setting forth a state of emergency.

(a) Whenever the governor has proclaimed the existence of such a state of emergency, he may employ every agency and all members of every department and division of the government of the commonwealth to protect the lives and property of its citizens and to enforce the law. Any member of any such department or division so employed shall be entitled to the protection of existing applicable provisions of law relative to any type of service of the commonwealth as well as the protection afforded by this act.

(b) After such proclamation has been made, the governor may, in the event of disaster or shortage making such action necessary for the protection of the public, take possession (1) of any land or building, machinery or equipment; (2) of any horses, vehicles, motor vehicles, aircraft, ships, boats or any other means of conveyance, rolling stock of steam, diesel, electric railroads or of street railways; (3) of any cattle, poultry and any provisions for man or beast, and any fuel, gasoline or other means of propulsion which may be necessary or convenient for the use of the military or naval forces of the commonwealth or of the United States, or for the better protection or welfare of the commonwealth or its inhabitants as intended under this act. He may use and employ all property of which possession is taken, for such times and in such manner as he shall deem for the interests of the commonwealth or its inhabitants, and may in particular, when in his opinion the public exigency so requires, lease, sell, or, when conditions so warrant, distribute gratuitously to or among any or all of the inhabitants of the commonwealth anything taken under clause (3) of this paragraph. If real estate is seized under this paragraph a declaration of

the property seized containing a full and complete description shall be filed with the register of deeds in and for the county in which the seizure is located, and a copy of said declaration furnished the owner. If personal property is seized under this paragraph the civil defense authorities by whom seized shall maintain a docket containing a permanent record of such personal property, and its condition when seized, and shall furnish a true copy of the docket recording to the owner of the seized property. He shall, with the approval of the council, award reasonable compensation to the owners of the property which he may take under the provisions of this section, and for its use, and for any injury thereto or destruction thereof caused by such use.

(c) Any owner of property of which possession has been taken under paragraph (b), to whom no award has been made, or who is dissatisfied with the amount awarded him by the governor, with the approval of the council, as compensation, may file a petition in the superior court, in the county in which he lives or has a usual place of business, or in the county of Suffolk, to have the amount to which he is entitled by way of damages determined. The petitioner and the commonwealth shall severally have the right to have such damages assessed by a jury, upon making claim, in such a manner as may be provided, within one year after the date when possession of the property was taken under paragraph (b), except that if the owner of the property is in the military service of the United States at the time of the taking, it shall be brought within one year after his discharge from the said military service.

(d) Any owner of property of which possession has been taken under this act, to whom no award has been made, or who is dissatisfied with the amount awarded him as compensation by the governor, with the approval of the council, may have his damages assessed under chapter seventy-nine of the General Laws, instead of proceeding under the provisions of this act. If any such taking, in itself, constitutes an appropriation of property to the public use, compensation may be recovered therefor under chapter seventy-nine of the General Laws from the body politic, or corporate, appropriating such property.

SECTION 6. The governor shall have the power and authority to co-operate with the federal authorities and with the governors of other states in matters pertaining to the common defense or to the common welfare, and also so to co-operate with the military and naval forces of the United States and of the other states, and to take any measures which he may deem proper to carry into effect any request of the President of the United States for action looking to the national defense or to the public safety.

SECTION 7. During the effective period of so much of this act as is contingent upon the declaration of a state of emergency as hereinbefore set forth, the governor, in addi-

tion to any other authority vested in him by law, shall have and may exercise any and all authority over persons and property, necessary or expedient for meeting said state of emergency, which the general court in the exercise of its constitutional authority may confer upon him as supreme executive magistrate of the commonwealth and commander-in-chief of the military forces thereof, and specifically, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the governor shall have and may exercise such authority relative to any or all of the following:—

- (a) Health or safety of inmates of all institutions.
- (b) Maintenance, extension or interconnection of services of public utility or public-service companies, including public utility services owned or operated by the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof.
- (c) Policing, protection or preservation of all property, public or private, by the owner or person in control thereof, or otherwise.
- (d) Manufacture, sale, possession, use or ownership of (1) fireworks or explosives, or articles in simulation thereof; (2) means or devices of communication other than those exclusively regulated by federal authorities; (3) articles or objects (including birds and animals) capable of use for the giving of aid or information to the enemy or for the destruction of life or property.
- (e) Transportation or travel on Sundays or week-days by aircraft, watercraft, vehicle or otherwise, including the use of registration plates, signs or markers thereon.
- (f) Labor, business or work on Sundays or legal holidays.
- (g) Assemblages, parades or pedestrian travel, in order to protect the physical safety of persons or property.
- (h) Public records and the inspection thereof.
- (i) Regulation of the business of insurance and protection of the interests of holders of insurance policies and contracts and of beneficiaries thereunder and of the interest of the public in connection therewith.
- (j) Vocational or other educational facilities supported in whole or in part by public funds, in order to extend the benefits or availability thereof.
- (k) The suspension of the operation of any statute, rule or regulation which affects the employment of persons within the commonwealth when, and at such times as such suspension becomes necessary in the opinion of the governor to remove any interference, delay or obstruction in connection with the production, processing or transportation of materials which are related to the prosecution of war or which are necessary because of the existence of a state of emergency;
- (l) Regulation of the manner and method of purchasing or contracting for supplies, equipment or other property or personal or other services, and of contracting for or carry-

ing out public works, for the commonwealth or any of its agencies or political subdivisions.

(m) Receipt, handling or allocation of money, supplies, equipment or material granted, loaned or allocated by the federal government to the commonwealth or any of its agencies or political subdivisions.

(n) Protection of depositors in banks, and maintenance of the banking structure of the commonwealth.

(o) Variance of the terms and conditions of licenses, permits or certificates of registration issued by the commonwealth or any of its agencies or political subdivisions.

(p) Regulating the sale of articles of food and household articles.

(q) Modification or variation in the classifications established under sections forty-five to fifty, inclusive, of chapter thirty of the General Laws and sections forty-eight to fifty-six, inclusive, of chapter thirty-five of the General Laws.

SECTION 8. The governor may exercise any power, authority or discretion conferred on him by any provision of this act pertaining to such section as requires preparation in anticipation of a declaration of a state of emergency by the issuance or promulgation of executive orders or general regulations, or through such department or agency of the commonwealth, including the civil defense agency, or of any political subdivision thereof, or such person as he may direct by a writing signed by him and filed in the office of the state secretary. Any department, agency or person so directed shall act in conformity with any regulations prescribed by the governor for its or his conduct.

Whoever violates any provision of any such executive order or general regulation issued or promulgated by the governor, for the violation of which no other penalty is provided by law, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or both.

SECTION 8A. Any provision of any general or special law or of any rule, regulation, ordinance or by-law to the extent that such provision is inconsistent with any order or regulation issued or promulgated under this act shall be inoperative while such order or such last-mentioned regulation is in effect; provided that nothing in this section shall be deemed to affect or prohibit any prosecution for a violation of any such provision before it became inoperative.

SECTION 9. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws, or any other provision of law affecting civil service, and the rules made thereunder on and after the declaration of a state of emergency, the director of civil service, supported by a majority vote of the civil service commission may:—

(a) Approve or extend provisional appointments without time limitations until lists can be established or until appointments can be made from eligible lists.

(b) Extend temporary appointments which are made from civil service lists beyond the life of the list.

(c) Allow temporary transfers, without regard to classification, beyond a period of six months.

(d) Restrict leaves of absence except for entrance into the armed forces of the United States, for illness, and for such other reason as said director deems to be in the public interest.

(e) Exclude from eligible lists the names of individuals who refuse to accept positions which they have previously signified a willingness to accept.

(f) Restore to the eligible lists the names of persons so removed.

(g) Exclude from the operation of the civil service laws and rules and regulations any of the positions or employments in temporary agencies, boards or other governmental units of the commonwealth or of its political subdivisions, the existence and powers of which agencies, boards or other units are limited to a period terminating not later than one year after the termination of any future declaration of a state of emergency, or any lesser period.

(h) Shall approve in writing the temporary re-employment of any former officer or employee of the commonwealth or of any political subdivision thereof who has been retired under any retirement or pension law, or who has been separated from the public service by reason of superannuation or disability without a retirement allowance or pension to any position or employment subject to chapter thirty-one of the General Laws. Any person so employed shall receive full compensation for such services less any retirement allowance or pension received by him. The written approval of the appointing officer, board or committee shall be required in the re-employment of such former officers or employees to any office or employment not subject to said chapter thirty-one.

Any appointment or transfer made under this section shall be effective only for the period during which this section is to be operative.

SECTION 10. During any blackout or during the period between the air raid warning and the following "all clear" signal, regular, special and reserve members of the police and fire forces of the commonwealth or of its political subdivisions, and members of the state guard and the armed forces of the United States, while in uniform, may enter upon private property for the purpose of enforcing blackout or air-raid precaution rules, regulations or orders issued by or under authority of the governor. Such members may at any time enter upon private property in compliance with the written order of the governor, for the sole purpose of enforcing the laws, rules, regulations, by-laws or ordinances specifically set forth by the governor in such orders; provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed or

deemed to prohibit any entry upon private property otherwise authorized by law. Any entry made under the foregoing provision shall be reported by the person making such entry forthwith to the director of the local organization for civil defense.

SECTION 11. (a) The mayor and city council in cities and the selectmen in towns, or such other persons or bodies as are authorized under existing laws to appoint firemen or policemen, may appoint, train and equip volunteer, unpaid auxiliary firemen and auxiliary police and may establish and equip such other volunteer, unpaid public protection units as may be approved by said civil defense agency and may appoint and train their members. Chapters thirty-one, thirty-two and one hundred and fifty-two of the General Laws shall not apply to persons appointed hereunder.

(b) Cities and towns may by ordinance or by-law, or by vote of the aldermen, selectmen, or board exercising similar powers, authorize their respective police departments to go to aid another city or town at the request of said city or town in the suppression of riots or other forms of violence therein, and, while in the performance of their duties in extending such aid, the members of such departments shall have the same powers, duties, immunities and privileges as if performing the same within their respective cities or towns. Any such ordinance, by-law or vote may authorize the head of the police department to extend such aid subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be prescribed therein. Any city or town aided under and in accordance with this section shall compensate any city or town rendering aid as aforesaid for the whole or any part of any damage to its property sustained in the course of rendering the same and shall reimburse it in whole or in part for any payments lawfully made to any member of its police department or to his widow or other dependents on account of injuries or death suffered by him in the course of rendering aid as aforesaid or of death resulting from such injuries.

(c) The head of the fire or police department of any town or city of the commonwealth shall, after the issuing of any proclamation provided for in this act, order such portion of his department, with its normal equipment, as the governor may request, for service in any part of the commonwealth where the governor may deem such service necessary for the protection of life and property. When on such service, police officers and firemen shall have the same powers, duties, immunities and privileges as if they were performing their duties within their respective cities or towns. The commonwealth shall compensate any city or town for damage to its property sustained in such service and shall reimburse it for any payments lawfully made by it to any member of its police or fire department or to his widow or other dependents on account of injuries sustained by him in such service or of death resulting from such injuries. Persons appointed to

the auxiliary police force in a city or town shall exercise or perform such of the powers or duties of police officers as may be prescribed by the appointing authority; provided, that said powers or duties shall not be exercised or performed by them except while they are on active duty and displaying an authorized badge or other insignia after being called to such duty by the head of the police force of such city or town to meet a situation which, in his opinion, cannot be adequately handled by the regular police force and by the reserve police force, if any, of such city or town. Auxiliary police in towns, but not in cities, may be authorized by the appointing authority to exercise the powers conferred by section ten of this act upon members of regular, special, or reserve police forces of said towns.

SECTION 12. On and after a declaration of an emergency neither the commonwealth nor any political subdivision thereof, nor other agencies, nor any person engaged in any civil defense activities while in good faith complying with or attempting to comply with this act or any other rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this act, shall be civilly liable for the death of or any injury to persons or damage to property as result of such activity except that the individual shall be liable for his negligence. The provisions of this section shall not affect the right of any person to receive benefits to which he would otherwise be entitled under this act, or under the workmen's compensation law, or under any pension law, or under any other special and general law nor the right of any such person to receive any benefits or compensation under any act of congress.

No city or town shall be liable for any damage sustained to person or property as the result of an authorized black-out.

SECTION 13. Each political subdivision of the commonwealth is hereby authorized and directed to establish a local organization for civil defense in accordance with the state civil defense plan and program.

Each local organization for civil defense shall have a director, who shall, in the case of a city, be appointed by the mayor, or in a city having the Plan E form of government by the city manager, and in towns shall be appointed by the selectmen, or in towns having a town manager by the manager, and who shall have direct responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of such local organization for civil defense, subject to the direction and control of such appointing authority. Each local organization for civil defense shall perform civil defense functions within the territorial limits of the political subdivision within which it is organized, and, in addition, shall conduct such functions outside of such territorial limits as may be required pursuant to the provisions of section seven of this act.

In carrying out the provisions of this act, each political

subdivision in which any disaster, as described in section one, occurs, shall have the power to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such disaster, protecting the health and safety of persons and property, and providing emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster. Each political subdivision is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this section in the light of the exigencies of the extreme emergency situation, without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law, excepting mandatory constitutional requirements, pertaining to the performance of public work, entering into contracts, the incurring of obligations, the employment of temporary workers, the rental of equipment, the purchase of supplies and materials, the levying of taxes and the appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

SECTION 14. The director of each local organization for civil defense may, in collaboration with other public and private agencies within the commonwealth, develop or cause to be developed mutual aid arrangements for reciprocal civil defense aid and assistance in case of disaster too great to be dealt with unassisted. Such arrangements shall be consistent with the state civil defense plan and program, and in time of emergency it shall be the duty of each local organization for civil defense to render assistance in accordance with the provisions of such mutual aid arrangements. The director of each local organization for civil defense may, subject to the approval of the governor, enter into mutual aid arrangements with civil defense agencies or organizations in other states for reciprocal civil defense aid and assistance in case of disaster too great to be dealt with unassisted.

SECTION 15. Each political subdivision shall have the power to make appropriations in the manner provided by law for making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of such political subdivision, for the payment of expenses of its local organization for civil defense.

Whenever the federal government or any agency or officer thereof, or any person, firm or corporation, shall offer to the commonwealth, or to any political subdivision thereof, services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds by way of gift, grant or loan, for purposes of civil defense, the commonwealth, acting through the governor, or such political subdivision, acting through its governing body, may accept such offer, and upon acceptance the governor or governing body of such political subdivision may authorize any officer of the commonwealth, or of the political subdivision, as the case may be, to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds on behalf of the commonwealth, or such political subdivision, and subject to the terms of the offer and the rules and regulations, if any, of the agency making the offer.

SECTION 15A. For the purpose of meeting expenditures authorized under section fifteen, a city or town may raise

such sums as may be necessary by taxation, or by transfer from available funds, or may borrow from time to time and may issue bonds or notes therefor which shall bear on their face the words (city or town) Civil Defense Loan, Act of 1950. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan and such loans shall be paid in not more than five years from their dates. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall be in excess of the statutory limit, but shall, except as provided herein, be subject to chapter forty-four of the General Laws, exclusive of the limitation contained in the first paragraph of section seven thereof.

SECTION 15B. The city auditor, town accountant, or, if there is no such officer, the town treasurer, of every city and town making expenditures under authority of section fifteen or section fifteen A of this act shall file quarterly with the director of accounts of the department of corporations and taxation of the commonwealth a report of liabilities incurred and expenditures made under authority of sections fifteen and fifteen A in such form and detail as said director may require.

SECTION 16. In carrying out the provisions of this act, the governor and the executive officers, or governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the commonwealth, are directed to utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the commonwealth, and of the political subdivisions thereof, to the maximum extent practicable; and the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices and agencies of the commonwealth, and of the political subdivisions thereof, to the maximum extent practicable; and the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices and agencies are directed to co-operate with and extend such services and facilities to the governor and to the civil defense organizations of the commonwealth upon request.

The governor may assign to a state agency any activity concerned with disaster preparedness and relief of a nature related to the existing powers and duties of such agency, and it shall thereupon become the duty of such agency to undertake and carry out such activity on behalf of the commonwealth.

SECTION 17. No organization for civil defense established under the authority of this act shall participate in any form of political activity, nor shall it be employed directly or indirectly for political purposes.

SECTION 18. No person shall be employed or associated in any capacity in any civil defense organization established under this act who advocates, or has advocated, a change by force or violence in the constitutional form of the government of the United States, or in this commonwealth, or the overthrow of any government in the United States by force or violence, or who has been convicted of, or is under indictment or information charging any subversive act against

the United States. Each person who is appointed to serve in an organization for civil defense shall, before entering upon his duties, take an oath, in writing, before a person authorized to administer oaths in this commonwealth, which oath shall be substantially as follows:—

“I, ..... do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties on which I am about to enter.

“And I do further swear (or affirm) that I do not advocate, nor am I a member of any political party or organization that advocates, the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this commonwealth by force or violence; and that during such time as I am a member of the (name of civil defense organization), I will not advocate nor become a member of any political party or organization that advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this commonwealth by force or violence.”

SECTION 19. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application; and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 20. It shall be the duty of the members of, and of each and every officer, agent and employee of every political subdivision of this commonwealth and of each member of all other governmental bodies, agencies and authorities of any nature whatsoever fully to co-operate with the governor and the director of civil defense in all matters affecting civil defense. The governor is authorized to make, amend and rescind orders, rules and regulations pertaining to civil defense, and it shall be unlawful for any municipality or other subdivision or any other governmental agency of this commonwealth to adopt any rule or regulation or to enforce any such rule or regulation that may be at variance with any such order, rule or regulation established by the governor. Each such organization shall have available for inspection at its office all orders, rules and regulations made by the governor, or under his authority. In the event of a dispute on the question of whether or not any such rule or regulation is at variance with an order, rule or regulation established by the governor under this act, the determination of the governor shall control.

SECTION 21. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the civil defense agency may expend such sums as may hereafter be appropriated therefor.

SECTION 22. This act or any part hereof shall become inoperative by the adoption of a joint resolution to that effect by the house and senate acting concurrently or in any event on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

*Approved July 20, 1950.*

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PAUL A. DEVER  
GOVERNOR

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

October 16, 1950

Mr. Herbert E. Harrington, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen  
Southborough, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Chairman:

I have been pleased to learn from Director Stokes the name of Mr. Paul Henderson, whom you have asked to act as Director of Civil Defense for your community. I want to express my appreciation for this evidence of cooperation in a statewide program designed to protect all our citizens in the event of military or other disaster.

I am sure that you share with me the feeling of regret that the appointment of a Civil Defense Director is necessary but at the same time I know you will want to take every step to protect the lives and insure the safety of the people of your community as well as make available services of your community for others who may be less fortunate.

Sincerely,

Governor